

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
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AND OTHER
TOWN * OFFICERS,
WITH THE REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL * BOARD,
OF
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REPORT OF THE TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF MASON,

For the Year ending March 1, 1891.

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To CASH

Received of O. A. Hamblett, former treasurer,	\$ 260 00
L. W. Mitchell, collector for 1889,	197 61
S. N. Barrett, collector for 1890,	3291 00
Selectmen,	1139 07
Geo. Whitaker, treasurer of Boynton fund committee,	500 00
E. S. Spalding, treasurer of Stearns bequest committee,	448 36
	\$5836 04

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By paid orders of Selectmen,	5406 53
Cash in treasury,	429 51
	\$5836 04

Respectfully submitted.

N. L. BARRETT, *Treasurer.*

The subscribers hereby certify that they have examined the accounts of the selectmen, town treasurer, and treasurer of the school board of Mason, for the year ending March 1, 1891, and find them correctly cast, and attended with proper vouchers.

C. B. GOODWIN,

H. B. HOSMER,

L. W. MITCHELL,

Auditors.

MASON, N. H., FEB. 26, 1891.

REPORT of the SELECTMEN of the TOWN of MASON

For the Year ending March 1, 1891.

AMOUNT OF POLLS AND PROPERTY TAXED.

No. of polls, 151.	value	\$15,100 00
horses, 157.	"	11,725 00
oxen, 27.	"	1,060 00
cows, 398.	"	10,078 00
other neat stock, 86 "		1,364 00
sheep, 21.	"	69 00
hogs, 11.	"	135 00
fowls, 150.	"	75 00
carriages, 13.	"	875 00
stock in public funds		500 00
money at interest		26,721 88
stock in trade		7,122 00
buildings not designafed		3,500 00
land and buildings		259,090 00
		\$337,414 88

AMOUNT RAISED BY TAXATION.

For schools	\$ 600 00	
town charges	1,000 00	
cemetery	300 00	
state tax	780 00	
county tax	566 01	
decoration	25 00	
dog tax	64 00	
		\$3,335 01
Highway tax in labor		700 00

MONEY RECEIVED BY SELECTMEN.

R. R. tax	\$ 59 87
Savings bank tax	537 97

Literary fund	125 19	
County	390 19	
N. E. Conley, board of child	6 00	
M. L. Barrett, note	200 00	
H. J. Taft, use of books	10 00	
Ellen March, note	500 00	
B. F. March, grass on cemetery	5 00	
B. F. March, use town hall	10 00	
Fruitdale Grange "	10 00	
C. A. Elliott, grass on cemetery	2 00	
Congregational Church, shingles	5 88	
		\$1862 10

MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR SCHOOLS.

Literary Fund	\$98 28	
Boynton Fund	500 00	
Town appropriation	600 00	
Stearns Fund	448 36	
Money unexpended in 1889	8 29	
Dog tax	25 00	
		1679 93

MONEY PAID BY SELECTMEN.

State tax	780 00	
County tax	566 01	
		1346 01

TRUSTEES OF BOYNTON FUND.

George Whitaker	\$3 00	
L. W. Mitchell	2 00	
C. B. Goodwin	2 00	
Charles A. Elliott	2 00	
M. L. Barrett	2 00	
		11 00

TRUSTEES OF STEARNS' BEQUEST.

Otis Childs, for 1889	\$ 16 53
E. S. Spalding, for 1890	10 50

M. L. Barrett, for 1890	9 89	
Jason Russell, for 1889	6 80	
		43 72

SCHOOL BOARD.

Daniel Goodwin, 1889	\$ 36 33	
O. A. Hamblett,	30 00	
Otis Childs	16 75	
		83 08

COUNTY PAUPERS.

J. P. Blood, board and care of J. Winship	\$ 77 25	
A. J. Morse, board and care of J. Winship	31 69	
M. Gleason, coffin and robe for J. Winship	12 00	
B. F. March, sexton " "	5 00	
G. F. Munsey, medical attendance, J. Winship	19 50	
B. F. March, funeral arrangements, J. Winship	2 00	
		147 44

TOWN PAUPERS.

S. A. Batchelder, board of Mrs. E. Nutting	90 00	
G. F. Munsey, medical attendance	4 50	
		94 50

COUNTY AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

J. H. Dixon, goods for Hill family	\$ 63 60	
O. D. Prescott, " " "	7 00	
J. O. Reed, supplies " "	1 75	
J. P. Blood, wood " "	14 62	
H. B. Hosmør, rent and milk "	47 10	

J. H. Hartshorn, goods for Hill family	6 38	
J. F. March, cutting wood	"	5 00
Russell & March, wood	" "	18 00
McDonald & Son, goods	" "	42
J. O. Reed, Jr., service and cash paid for		
pension	" "	9 20
A. O. Childs, goods for Mary Dunn,		15 00
		188 07

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

B. F. March, work near Beatons	2 75	
Russell & March, plank, etc.	52 91	
A. E. Chase, work on Gilman hill, etc	39 45	
E. J. Hodgman, for culvert	4 45	
A. J. Morse, railing	10 87	
Fowler Briggs	6 00	
Wm. O. Robbins	6 50	
E. S. Kennedy,	9 50	
A. B. Eaton,	3 65	
M. L. Barrett, plank	14 25	
B. F. March, working Res. tax	6 84	
Jason Russell, 1889 and 1890	21 24	
		178 41

BREAKING ROADS.

Fowler Briggs,	6 60	
C. A. Elliott	2 87	
Hermon Whitaker	4 93	
Levi W. Mitchell, 1890 and 1891	16 75	
E. B. Richardson	3 38	
A. B. Eaton	10 40	
B. F. March, 1890 and 1891	5 78	
L. H. Robbins, 1890 and 1891	6 54	
M. L. Barrett, " "	5 60	
		62 85

WORKING NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAX.

B. F. March	31 31
C. I. Wilkinson	9 31
E. S. Kennedy	4 77
W. J. Baxter	11 85
M. L. Barrett	21 08
F. Briggs	12 72
Jason Russell, 1889 and 1890	8 15
A. E. Chase	14 43
L. W. Mitchell	5 67
L. H. Robbins	4 48

 123 77

INCIDENTALS.

F. H. Merriam, printing reports	35 00
Temple & Farrington Co., books and stationery	2 38
B. F. March, sawdust	2 00
R. M. Wallace, services	49 45
A. McDonald & Son, stone and labor	229 61
F. H. Merriam, printing	50
Expense of Sethe Preston	79 60
A. D. Fessenden, shingles	68 00
A. J. Morse, shingling	23 19
H. J. Taft, tax in Greenville	19 26
“ “ insurance	12 00
A. E. Chase, repairs on road machine	2 00
David Cross, services and expense in Stearns case	55 00
Russell & March, wood for town hall	1 62
B. F. March, care of town hall	7 50
B. F. March, time and expense in Brooks' case	12 61
B. F. March, perambulating town line	2 00
B. F. March, working Dunster fund Int.	5 00

J. F. March, cutting wood for town house	1	50	
M. U. B. Greene, check lists	2	88	
B. F. March, burying Wm. Creighton	6	00	
C. B. Goodwin, ret. births and deaths	3	30	
R. B. Boynton " "		75	
Mason Village Savings Bank, note and interest	309	35	
J. O. Reed, Jr., Brooks' case, etc.	22	25	
N. H. Insane Asylum, for Seth Preston	49	28	
H. I. Whitney, case S. Preston	22	31	
B. F. March, services in Preston case	8	08	
M. L. Barrett, note and interest	207	00	
Mason Village Savings Bank, interest	14	65	
Childs & Claflin, note and interest	899	05	
R. B. Boynton, returning births and deaths		75	
C. B. Goodwin, returning births and deaths	3	30	
G. A. R. committee	25	00	
S. N. Barrett, money allowed highway surveyors for working non-resident highway tax	23	88	
Daniel Goodwin, for school supplies	172	85	
J. A. Wilson, wood	2	25	
			2381 15

MONEY EXPENDED FOR SCHOOLS.

Daniel Goodwin, Treasurer School Board	\$1242 00
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

L. W. Mitchell, collector 1889	5	54	
L. A. Blood, overtax		50	
J. A. Dixon, "	6	05	
W. T. Robbins, dog tax	1	00	
S. N. Barrett, error		88	
			13 97

TOWN OFFICERS.

J. O. Reed, selectman	\$65 33	
B. F. March, "	58 00	
E. S. Spalding, "	51 55	
N. L. Barrett, treasurer	30 00	
C. B. Goodwin, town clerk	25 00	
A. E. Chase, supervisor, 1889-1890	10 00	
L. W. Mitchell, " 1890	2 00	
M. R. Hodgman, " 1889-1890	11 00	
N. L. Barrett, services after settlement	2 00	
		\$254 88

CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

B. F. March	\$2 00	
C. B. Goodwin	16 00	
James Russell	5 00	
		\$23 00

RECAPITULATION.

For schools	\$1,242 00	
State and county tax	1,346 01	
Trustees of Boynton fund	11 00	
Trustees Stearns bequest	43 72	
School board	83 08	
County paupers	147 44	
Town "	94 50	
County aid for dependent soldiers and their families	188 07	
Repairing highways	178 41	
Working non-resident H. W. tax	123 77	
Breaking roads	62 85	
Incidentals	2,381 15	
Abatements	13 97	
Town officers	254 88	
Cemetery committee	23 00	
		\$6,193 85

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Dunster fund	\$100 00	
On " account	42 75	
Old school district No. 1	50 00	
Mrs. Ellen March, note and interest,	505 00	
For schools	437 93	
Dog tax	64 00	
		\$1,199 68

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Due from collector	304 31	
" " county	158 27	
" " estate of Seth Preston	79 67	
Cash in treasury	429 51	
		\$971 76
Balance against the town		227 92

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. REED, Jr.

B. F. MARCH,

E. S. SPALDING,

*Selectmen of Mason.*REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STEARNS COMMON
SCHOOL BEQUEST.

(Income from the fund.)

Received interest on Wisconsin R. R.	
bonds	\$200 00
Rec'd interest on N. H. Trust Co.	
bonds	120 00
Rec'd interest from Milford Savings	
Bank	64 70
Rec'd interest from Nashua Savings	
Bank	50 00
Rec'd for grass on Greenville land	22 00
	\$456 70

Paid N. L. Barrett, town treasurer	\$448 36
Deposited in Milford Savings Bank	
accrued interest on bonds	
at time of purchase	8 34
	\$456 70

(The fund is invested as follows.)

Deposited in Milford Savings Bank	\$1,302 59
“ Nashua “ “	1,000 00
N. H. Trust Co. bonds	2,000 00
4 Wisconsin R. R. bonds, \$1,000 each	
6 “ “ income bonds, \$1,000 each	
15 shares of the common stock of the	
Wisconsin Central R.R. Co	
\$100 each	

About 20 acres of land in Greenville.

EDWIN S. SPALDING,
NELSON L. BARRETT,
LUTHER A BLOOD,

Trustees of Stearns Common School Bequest.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BOYNTON
COMMON SCHOOL FUND.

Amount in hands of the trustees, Jan. 1, 1891, \$10,000, loaned to Joel H. Elliott, Greenville, N. H., at 5 per cent interest, payable semi-annually.

Number of scholars in town between the age of five and fifteen, 89.

Amount of interest received from the Boynton School Fund and put into the hands of the town treasurer, \$500.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE WHITAKER, *Treasurer.*

Mason, Feb. 14, 1891.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MASON :

In this annual report your committee would bring before you, in a brief form, some things which are of interest to us all.

The number of teachers employed is fourteen, all females, with one exception. Believing it best, for the winter term, to employ a male teacher for the centre school, we were glad to secure the services of an experienced and approved teacher, Abel G. Stearns, who is doing for us excellent work. For the fall term of this school Miss Baker of Exeter was engaged, but no sooner had she entered upon her work here than she was offered a permanent position in a High School at her home, with an annual salary of \$500. The offer was too tempting to be declined, yet she refused to take anything for her week's services. After some effort and a week's delay, the school commenced again under the instruction of Miss Mary A. Hill, of Groton, Mass., a thoroughly qualified and excellent teacher.

A brief allusion to our Union School cannot be out of place, as we naturally feel some interest in its success, furnishing as we have done, this year, a first-class teacher, Miss Laura M. Elliot, and more than half the scholars and more than half the funds for its support, and to us it is a source of no small satisfaction that our Union School takes a high rank among the ungraded schools in this section.

As a class our teachers have been well fitted for their work, proved to be earnest, successful workers, and we believe our schools are in a decidedly better condition today, than they were a year ago. The teachers in numbers one

and six when about half way through the spring term, were obliged to give up their schools in consequence of ill-health. Number six, however, has been the famous school this winter, while all the other schools in town have been badly deranged and obliged to be suspended from one to three weeks each, on account of the prevalence of that dreaded epidemic, the "measles," number six has moved on without interruption and with marked success.

In consequence of the suspension and general derangement of our winter schools, some of them are still in session, so that in some respects our report must necessarily be incomplete, especially is this true in relation to the statistical report and the Roll of Honor, so that as we are unable to give a full and accurate report of these we have decided to omit them altogether, for in such matters an incomplete report is worse than none at all.

It is well known that, by an act of the Legislature, passed in 1889, after the first of Jan. 1890, the towns and cities in the State were required to furnish text-books and other supplies for the public schools free of charge. By this act you will readily see that the labors of the School Board have been materially increased as well as the town taxes. Your committee however have endeavored to act judiciously, being careful not to expend a larger sum of money than seemed essential to the best interests of our schools, and to make our purchases of supplies on as favorable terms as possible. We have introduced into the schools Harrington's spellers, Appleton's geographies and readers. We have labored earnestly and tried to do our best to make our schools a decided success, and now fellow citizens, we commit our doing to your thoughtful and candid consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL GOODWIN, } *Board*
NELSON L. BARRETT, } *of Education*

REPORT

Of the Treasurer of the School Board.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1891.

PAID FOR INSTRUCTION.

SPRING TERM.

Susie A. Brown,	5½ weeks	\$44 00
Jennie U. Elliott,	10 "	70 00
Lizzie E. Wilson,	10 "	70 00
Catharine R. Briggs,	10 "	50 00
Etta E. Hodgman,	10 "	70 00
Mary E. Smiley,	7½ "	50 40
Town of Greenville, Union School		41 25

FALL TERM.

Mary A. Hill,	10 weeks	\$85 00
Laura A. Dixon,	10 "	70 00
Lizzie E. Wilson,	10 "	70 00
Catharine R. Briggs,	9 "	63 00
M. Elizabeth Adams,	10 "	70 00
Jessie M. Abbott,	11 "	77 00
Town of Greenville, Union School		45 37

WINTER TERM.

Eva M. Hodgman,	11 weeks	82 50
Lizzie E. Wilson,	10 "	75 00
Town of Greenville, Union School		48 40
John A. Meloy, carrying school children		15 00

\$1,096 92

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid F. B. Heald, for Union School	\$17 18
Hermon Whitaker, wood	12 00
N. L. Barrett, "	9 00
Fowler Briggs, "	9 00
D. Goodwin, "	5 00
Ed. S. Spalding, "	14 00
Amasa Elliott, rep. desk and care house	4 75
N. R. Barrett, repairs	9 88
Otis Childs, "	1 25
Care house No. 1, 2d term	2 50
Lock and bell, for No. 1	85
Washing house and repairing bell	1 00
1 duster, and setting glass	50
Mrs. F. Briggs, cleaning house	50
3 chairs for No. 1 School	3 30
Express bills	1 15
John Allinson, sawing wood	4 50
Eddie Elliott, care of house	1 40
Journey to station and broom	50
" Wilton, in search of teacher	1 00
" Boston, " "	4 85
" Groton, " "	1 62
Bringing teacher from depot	15
Repairing windows	50
William J. Meloy, repairs	45
	\$ 106 83
Paid for instruction	1,096 92
Total expense	\$1,203 75

MONEY RECEIVED.

Balance in treasury	\$ 43 73
Of town treasurer	1,242 00
Town of Greenville, tuition of school	8 00
	\$1,293 73

Expense for schools	1,203 75
Balance in treasury	<u>\$ 89 98</u>

EXPENSE FOR TEXT BOOKS AND OTHER SUPPLIES.

A. C. Stockton, supplies	\$8 10
Appleton & Co., "	87 19
Edw. E. Babb & Co., "	39 48
Harper & Brothers "	3 81
Boston School Supply Co., supplies	3 23
N. L. Barrett, "	9 42
F. B. Heald, Union school "	16 93
Daniel Goodwin, "	7 66
	<u>\$175 82</u>

RECEIPTS.

Of town treasurer	\$172 85
For books sold	2 97
	<u>\$175 82</u>

Respectfully submitted.

DANIEL GOODWIN, *Treasurer.*

The subscribers hereby certify that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer and Treasurer of the School Board of Mason for the year ending March 1, 1891, and find them correctly cast and attended with proper vouchers.

C. B. GOODWIN,

H. B. HOSMER,

L. W. MITCHELL,

Auditors.

MASON, N. H., Feb. 26, 1891.

Agreeable with the laws of the State, I herewith furnish for publication in the annual report a transcript of the record of marriages, births and deaths that have occurred in this town for the year ending December 31, 1890, which to the best of my knowledge is correct.

C. B. GOODWIN. *Town Clerk.*

Marriages Registered in the Town of Mason, N. H. for the year ending December 31, 1890.

Date of marriage.	Name and surname of groom & bride at time of marriage.	Residence of each in yrs. each.	Age of each in yrs. each.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occ'pat'n whether 1st, 2d.	Condition : whether s. or w. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
June 5.	Herbert O. Elliott, Ms.	Princeton, Ms.	22	W.	Painter.	Princeton, Ms.	Eben Elliott, Nancy M. Blood.	Mason, N. H.	1st.	Rev. Elisha Sanderson, Greenville, N. H.
	Flora E. Brown.	Mason, N. H.	23	"	"	Mason, N. H.	John Brown.	"	1st.	"
	George T. Blanch.	"	27	"	Teamster.	Red Beach, Me	Lucinda Flagg.	Mason, N. H.	1st.	"
Dec. 18.	Nellie Robbins.	"	"	"	"	George Blanch.	Mary J. Joy.	N. Pownalland.	1st.	Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Mason, N. H.
						Wm. O. Robbins.	Lube, Me.	"	1st.	"
						Martha J. Barrett.	Mason, N. H.	Farmer.	"	"
						Ashby, Ms.	"	Farmer.	"	"

Births Registered in the Town of Mason. N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1890.

Date of Birth.	Name of the Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan. 19.			W Arthur F. Farrar	Mary Knox.	White	Mason, N. H.	Farmer.	Mason, N. H.	Malden, Mass.	21	39
April 25.	Bessie.	First.	" John Hodge.	Lizzie S. Dalglish.	"	"	Clerk.	Cambus, N. H.	Dumbarton, So	30	25
May 7.	Edith Galdie.	Second.	" Oren S. Flagg.	Elizabeth Hoyt.	"	"	Farmer.	Pepperell, Ms	Boston, Ms.	30	23
June 5.			" Warren R. Wise.	Zulema Newell.	"	"	"	Pepperell, Ms	Mason, N. H.	33	38
Aug. 4.	William Marsh'll	Fourth.	" George Falconer.	Annie Watson.	"	"	Stone cutter.	Scotland.	Scotland.	41	34
" 31.	Flora Ann.	"	" George Michael.	Kate McKay.	"	"	Tool sharpener	"	P. I. Island.	40	36
" 31.	Isabelle W.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	40	36
Sept. 13.	Charles Fred.	Second.	" Fred T. Russell.	Nellie L. Smith.	"	"	Farmer.	Orford.	Ashby, Ms.	25	25
Oct. 28.	Mary E.	Fourth.	" William McPhee	Maggie McKay.	"	"	Stone polisher.	P. E. Island.	P. I. Island.	44	40
Nov. 23.		Ninth.	" Augustus Antill	Mary Rabichard.	"	"	Laborer.	Canada.	Canada.	30	30

Deaths Registered in the Town of Mason, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1890.

Date of D th	Name and Surnamed of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition.			Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.	Name and P.O.-Address of Physician (or other person) report'ng death
		Yrs.	M D.		M F.	C.	S. M. or W.	Father.	Mother.				
Jan. 27	Eliab Flagg.	77	4 2	Mason,	"	W	Married.	Farmer	Salem, Ms.	Ebenezer Flagg.	Rebecca Sheldon.	Old age.	R. B. Boynton, m.d., West Townsend, Me.
Apr. 23	Mary A. Beaton.	15	5 9	Scotland.	"	"	Single.	Scotland.	Scotland.	Donald Beaton.	Ann Russell.	Heart disease.	Geo. F. Munsey, m.d., Greenville, N. H.
Apr. 26	Ella Nutting.	34	2	Manchester.	"	"	"	Tail'ess	Mason.	M. H. Nutting.	Theresa Merrill.	Ulcer of stomach.	do
May 4	Harry T. Wilson.	35		Carthage, Ill.	"	"	Married.	Actor.	Virginia.	Crockett Wilson.	L. C. McLelan.	Heart failure.	Timothy Russell, m.d., Mason, N. H.
May 20	John S. Spalding.	72	6 2	Greenfield.	"	"	"	Farmer	Hollin.	John Spalding.	Eunice S. Russell.	Heart disease	Edwin S. Spalding; Pratts, N. H.
June 5					"	"	Single.	Pepperel.	"	Warren R. Wise.	Zulema Newell.	Still-born.	C. A. Wood, m.d., Greenville, N. H.
July 1	Elbridge G. Parker.	44	5 15	Westford, Ms.	"	"	"	Farmer	Acton, Ms.	E. G. Parker.	Nancy Tuttle.	Consumption.	do
July 27	Lukēs Adams.	89	9 27	Groton, Ms.	"	"	Widowed.	"	Groton, Ms.	John Adams.	Pally Richards.	Old age.	R. B. Boynton, m.d., West Townsend Me.
Oct. 19	John Winship.	92	7 27	Mason.	"	"	"	"	Mason.	Noah Winship.	Deborah Swallow.	Old age.	Geo. F. Munsey, m.d., Greenville, N. H.
Dec. 26	Edward Richardson.	83	2 4	"	"	"	Married.	"	Townsend, Ms.	H. Richardson.		Cancer and old age.	do

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. B. GOODWIN, Town Clerk.

